

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application as presently amended and in light of the following discussion is respectfully requested.

Claims 13-21 are pending and under consideration in the present application; Claims 13 and 14 having been amended; and non-elected Claims 1-12 having been cancelled by way of the present amendment. No new matter is introduced.

The outstanding Office Action objected to claim 14 and rejected claims 13, 15 and 18-21 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as anticipated by **Theroux et al.** (US 5,381,304), and claims 16 and 17 as obvious under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) based solely on **Theroux et al.**.

Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for indicating allowable subject matter in Claim 14, which was objected to as dependent from a rejected base claim, but indicated as allowable if re-written in independent form.

More particularly, the Examiner indicated Reasons for Allowance stating that Claim 14 would be allowable at least in part for reciting "said power inlet connector comprising a groove therein, providing a clip; and sliding said clip into said groove". Accordingly, Claim 13 has been amended to include a similar feature.

Claim 13 as amended now reads:

"A method for assembling an electronic module, comprising the steps of:

providing at least one internal circuit board;

said at least one internal circuit board comprising a vent hole;

providing a case;

placing said at least one internal circuit board in said case;

plugging said vent hole;

filling said case with potting compound
providing an electrical connector on said circuit board;
said electrical connector comprising a groove therein;
providing a clip; and
sliding said clip into said groove.”


It is therefore respectfully requested that the objection be withdrawn, and as all the remaining pending claims depend from claim 13, it is believed that claims 13-21 are allowable.

The rejections of claims 13, 15 and 18-21 as anticipated under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b), and claims 16 and 17 as obvious under 35 U.S.C. § 103 based on **Theroux et al.** (US 5,381,304) are traversed as moot in light of the amendment.

Consequently, the present application, as amended, overcomes the objections and rejections of record and is in condition for allowance, and an early and favorable action to that effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully Submitted,

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